

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the claims as follows.

Claims 1-62 (Canceled).

63. (New) An antigenic composition for detecting antibodies from a sample of a test subject, said composition comprising a fungal or yeast cell culture supernatant containing fungal or yeast components shed into the supernatant during culturing; said antigenic composition being characterized by a reduction of antigenic activity of less than 20%, as measured by ELISA, after treatment with protease in 0.25M TRIS buffer at pH 7.2.

64. (New) The composition of claim 63 wherein said supernatant comprises a mixture of antigens which are capable of binding to different fungal or yeast species.

65. (New) The composition of claim 63 wherein said supernatant comprises fungal or yeast aflatoxin.

66. (New) The composition of claim 63 wherein said antibodies are anti-aflatoxin antibodies.

67. (New) The composition of claim 63 wherein said components are capable of binding said antibodies.

68. (New) The composition of claim 63, wherein said supernatant is prepared and used at a temperature above the freezing point of said composition.

69. (New) The composition of claim 68, wherein said supernatant is prepared and used at 20 °C .

70. (New) The composition of claim 68, wherein said supernatant is prepared under aeration condition.

71. (New) The composition of claim 70, wherein said aeration condition is provided by gentle shaking.

72. (New) The composition of claim 63, wherein said supernatant displays specific antibody affinity such that only antibodies of a specific fungus or yeast bind to said components.

73. (New) The composition of claim 63, wherein said fungal or yeast cells are selected from species selected from the group of *Alternaria*, *Baker's Yeast*, *Chaetomium* and *Fusarium*.

74. (New) The composition of claim 64, wherein said different fungal or yeast species are selected from *Aspergillus* and *Paecilomyces*.

75. (New) The composition of claim 63, wherein said supernatant is from a cell culture of species selected from the group of *Bipolaris*, *Neosatorya*, *Penicillium*, *Stachybotrys* and *Uliocladium*.

76. (New) An antigenic composition comprising a fungal cell culture supernatant of *Biopolaris* comprising aflatoxin shed into the supernatant during culturing said fungal cell culture.

77. (New) An antigenic composition comprising a fungal cell culture supernatant of *Cladosporium* comprising aflatoxin shed into the supernatant during culturing said fungal cell culture.

78. (New) A vaccine comprising a composition of claim 63.

79. (New) A vaccine comprising a composition of claim 65.

80. (New) An antigenic composition comprising a cell culture supernatant of *Chaetomium* comprising *Chaetomium* aflatoxin.

81. (New) An antigenic composition comprising a fungal cell culture supernatant of *Chaetomium* comprising aflatoxin shed into the supernatant during culturing said fungal cell culture.

82. (New) A fungal cell culture supernatant of *Cladosporium* comprising *Cladosporium* components shed into the supernatant during culturing, said components being characterized by specifically binding antibodies to *Cladosporium* at physiological pH, and displaying a false positive indication of binding antibodies to *Cladosporium* under alkaline condition, in a serodiagnostic assay for fungal antibody, said assay comprising reacting said fungal cell culture supernatant with sera from a test subject; and determining the serum antibody level of said test subject.

83. (New) A serodiagnostic assay for antibodies which specifically bind to fungal or yeast cell antigens comprising:

- (i) reacting a composition of claim 63 with sera from a test subject; and
- (ii) determining the serum antibody level of said test subject.

84. (New) A serodiagnostic assay for antibodies which specifically bind to fungal or yeast cell antigens comprising:

- (i) reacting a composition of claim 68 with sera from a test subject; and
- (ii) determining the serum antibody level of said test subject.

85. (New) A serodiagnostic assay for antibodies which specifically bind to fungal or yeast cell antigens comprising:

- (i) reacting a composition of claim 69 with sera from a test subject; and
- (ii) determining the serum antibody level of said test subject.

86. (New) A serodiagnostic assay for antibodies which specifically bind to fungal or yeast cell antigens comprising:

- (i) reacting a composition of claim 70 with sera from a test subject; and
- (ii) determining the serum antibody level of said test subject.

87. (New) The serodiagnostic assay of claim 81, wherein said determining comprises an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).

88. (New) A serodiagnostic assay for fungal and yeast antibodies comprising:

(i) reacting a composition of claim 63 with sera from a test subject;

and

- (ii) determining the serum antibody level of said test subject.

89. (New) The serodiagnostic assay of claim 86, wherein said determining comprises an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).

90. (New) The serodiagnostic assay according to claim 85, wherein the test subject is a human.

91 (New) The serodiagnostic assay according to claim 87, wherein the test subject is a human.